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AND THE

CHIEF SACHEMS

OF

Several INDIAN TRIBES, with other CHIEF MEN of the said Tribes,

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Loron, one of the Chief Captains of the same
Toxus, Chief Sachem of the *Norridgewock*
Adiawando, Chief Sachem of the *Pigwachet*
Medaganesset, Chief Sachem of the *Amereſcoggin*
} Tribes

WITH OTHER

Chief Men of the said *Indian* Tribes at *Falmouth*, in *Casco-Bay*, *July* 1732. Annoq; Regni Regis Georgii Secundi, Magnæ Britanniæ, &c. Sexto.

Falmouth, *Monday*, *July* 24, 1732.

HIS Excellency, (who arriv'd here the 17th Instant, in his Majesty's Ship *Scarborough*, Capt. *Thomas Durel*, Commander, and waited the coming up of the *Indians*) being attended by a *Quorum* of his Majesty's Council, and a Number of the Members of

the Houſe of Repreſentatives and other Gentlemen, this Day received the Sachems and other *Indians* of the *Eaſtern* Tribes, under a large Tent erected for this Occaſion.

And after the *Indians* had paid the proper Reſpects and Salutations to His Excellency,

Capt. *John Giles*, Capt. *Samuel Jordan*, Mr. *Joſeph Bane*, and Mr. *Abraham Johnſon*, Interpreters of the *Indian* Language, were ſworn to the faithful Performance of that Service.

And then the Conference began.

Governour. MY *good Friends and Brethren*, I give praiſe to GOD the great Governour of the World, that he has brought us together at this time to ſee one another in Health and Safety.

I now meet you with ſincere Joy and Satisfaction, to renew and eſtabliſh the Peace and Friendſhip that has been made between us.

I am now come at the Deſire of the Chiefs of the Tribes to hear what they have to offer to me.

Toxus. It is God who has the over-ruling Power over all things, that has brought us together at this time.

The Reaſon of our coming, now is our hearty Deſire of Love and Friendſhip.

The Reaſon of our coming in ſo great a Number, is to ſee your Excellency; and it is the Will of God to give us an Opportunity to wait on you.

As a Token of our being glad to ſee your Excellency, I ſhake Hands, and offer this as our Money.

(*Laid down ſome Furs.*)

Arexis. We have heard what your Excellency has offer'd us, and we rejoice from our Hearts.

It is the greateſt Motive to Friendſhip and Love, that we ſhould openly ſee one another.

It is the ordering of Providence, that we have now the Opportunity of ſeeing one another.

As your Excellency ſees me, it is all one as if our Chief had waited on you; and this is a Pledge of it.

(*Laid down ſome Furs.*)

Govern.

Govern. The *Penobſcut* Men told me, when they came to ſee me, that it was a buſy Time, and therefore there could not come any more of them to this Place; I ſhall therefore be ready to give you all the Diſpatch that you deſire, that ſo you may return to your homes as ſoon as you ſhall think fit: and I ſhall give you a Signal when you ſhall ſee me here again. I would not hurry you into any thing, for I am glad of your Company: But I ſhall be ready to hear what you have to ſay, when you are ready, that ſo you mayn't be detain'd longer than you deſire.

Arexis. We are not in haſte, but deſire longer Time to diſcourſe with your Excellency.

Govern. I deſire you may conſider of every thing that may tend to lengthen out the Peace and Tranquillity between us.

Whenever you have a mind to ſpeak with the Governour, if you will ſend to me, I will give the Signal to call the Tribes together, which will be the firing a Gun from the Man of War, and hoiſting the King's Jack on the Main Top-Maſt-Head.

I will give you King GEORGE's Colours to be carried in the Head of ſuch Canoe, as you ſhall agree on, in Token of your Subjection to his Majeſty; It is ſuch a Flag as I carry in my own Boat.

A Motion being made by the *Indians*, that a Doctor ſhould be order'd to look after one of their People that was ſick: The Governour directed Dr. *Noyes* to take care of him; and acquainted them, that if any other of them were ſick, they ſhould be as well taken care of as himſelf, if he were ſick.

And the *Indians* then took their Leave.

Tueſday, July 25. 1732.

THE Signal being given by his Excellency's Order for the *Indians* coming over to the Conference, they came from *Hog-Iſland* with *French* Colours in two of their Canoes, and without the *Engliſh* Flag which the Governour gave them. Upon which, his Excellency ſent a Meſſage to them, to

ſignify his Diſpleaſure on this Occaſion, and to let them know, that he would not ſee them to-day, and to order their immediate Return, and to give them a ſtrict Charge to come over at all times with the *Engliſh* Colours, and not preſume to wear the *French*. Whereupon they returned to their Camp at *Hog-Iſland*.

Wedneſday, July, 26. 1732.

THE *Indians* ſent a Meſſage this Morning to the Governour to apologize for their not wearing the *Engliſh* Colours, and wearing the *French*, alledging that they were generally ignorant of the *Engliſh* Flag being deliver'd, and to promiſe Obedience to his Excellency's Order in this Matter for the future.

Poſt Meridiem.

The *Indians*, upon the Signal given, came aſhore with the *Engliſh* Flag, and without *French* Colours, according to Order.

Govern. I am glad that you are arrived ſafe and in Health. (*To the Chief of the* Penobſcut *Tribe, and others lately arrived.*)

I hope God ſmiles upon this Interview, ſince he orders his Sun to ſhine glorioufly upon us, which I truſt is a happy Preſage of the good Succeſs of this Affair.

When I ſaw you laſt, I told you that I was ready to hear what you had to offer to me, and that I ſhould be glad to join with you in every thing that tends to a happy Peace.

Loron. Brother, as you pleaſed to mention the Almighty, who has the Care over all things, and whom it has pleaſed, that we ſhould ſee one another; All the Tribes are come with a good Deſign, and we hope that God will ſtrengthen the Peace and Unity.

Wiwurna. He that ſpake laſt, ſpake the Minds of all the Tribes; all, both old and young, rejoice to hear your Excellency ſpeak of Peace and Friendſhip. God alone is the Giver of all theſe Bleſſings.

It

It ſhall be mentioned over the whole Continent, that your Excellency is a Lover of Peace.

Govern. The great God is the Giver of Love and Peace; when *Jeſus Chriſt*, the great Saviour of the World, came down among Men, he ſaid, *Bleſſed are the Peace-Makers.* I hope Peace and Friendſhip will continue among the *Engliſh* and *Indians*, to the Children that are unborn.

Wahway. I am well pleaſed to hear your Excellency mention God's Name, who is the Giver and Orderer of Peace. It is God's Will and Pleaſure that we have the Opportunity at this time to ſee one another. We rejoice that your Excellency mentions the Continuance of Friendſhip from one Generation to another; and we all, old Men and young, join in that Wiſh.

I put this as a Pledge to tie hand in hand the Peace that is made, from one Generation to another. (*Laid down ſome Furs.*)

I lay this over as a Shade that nothing may fall upon the Peace, but that we may walk under it as a Shelter, that nothing may moleſt us or our Children after us. (*Laid down more Furs.*)

Loron. As your Excellency was pleaſed to mention God's over-ruling Hand, and to deſire that there might be a laſting Peace; it is likwiſe our Deſire that it may be ſo.

And if any thing of Difference ſhould happen, we deſire that Methods may be taken to decide things, for we are all one. All the Body of *Indians* ſalute your Excellency as a Confirmation of this.

Govern. I have been ſixteen Days from *Boſton*, and have been waiting for the *Indians* eight Days. If you have any thing to offer, I ſhould be glad to hear it now, or to-morrow, or at any other time. If you have any thing to offer for making the Trade more advantageous, I ſhould be glad to hear it. I hope you are treated with Juſtice and Kindneſs at the Trading Houſes.

Loron.

Loron. If your Excellency has any thing to offer to us, we desire you to mention it.

Govern. I came here at the Desire of your Chief, Capt. *Loron*, and others of the *Penobscut* Tribe, who sent me a Letter which was signed at the Fort at St. *George's*.

Loron. We could not desire your Excellency to give your self the Trouble to come to this Place; but when I heard last Winter, that you were coming this way, we told your Excellency, that as many of us as could, would meet you here.

Govern. How many of the *Penobscut* Tribe are present here?

Loron. We can't tell, not having counted them.

Govern. How many have you left behind?

Loron. When we have counted these, we shall know how many are left: The whole are about one hundred Men.

Govern. I have Complaints from the Fathers that the *English* sell the *Indians* Rum, and that they abuse them with it; and I shall be glad to hear from you what Means may be used for preventing this Mischief for the future.

Loron. As a Peace is concluded, there is nothing of any great Moment to be discoursed of, but such things as will take up but little time.

Govern. What I say to you is a serious thing: You profess to worship God and *Jesus Christ*, and while you are drunk, you mock him, and wrong your selves for this World and that to come. When the Rum prevails, you are like *Beavers*, *Bears*, and *Otters*, and don't shew your selves after the Image of God, in which you were made; and if there were no World to come, where you are to answer for this Wickedness; you hurt your selves with Rum, as to your Interest in this World; and ill Men cheat you when you are drunk with it, and make you give two Skins for one. This is a serious Matter, and deserves Consideration.

Loron.

Loron. We will think of what your Excellency mentions to us.

Govern. I have more things to mention.

I have been to St. *George's*, according to my Duty to King *George*, to view the King's Fort and the Land there, to consider what may be the most advantageous to the King and his People, to be done in that River.

I have been to *Brunswick* and *Richmond*, to see the King's Forts there; and at *Cushnock* and other Places on *Kennebeck* River, to see the King's Lands there, and I would have gone further, even to *Norridgewock* and *Penobscut*, if any of the Tribes had been there to accompany me. And as I went into your Country, I should be glad to see you at *Boston*. Brothers and Friends should visit one another at their several Houses. It was in confidence of your sincere Disposition to Peace, that I travell'd into those Parts.

I hope you find the Trading Houses commodious for you, and that you are supplied cheaper there, than by the *French* at *Canada*.

The Government takes care that you be supplied cheaper than their own People: And I hope the more you are acquainted with the *English* at *Falmouth*, and other Towns in these Parts, you will find these Settlements commodious and beneficial to you.

And as *Loron* said, if there should be any Cloud hanging over the Peace, you will take care that we be informed timely of it.

Your coming hither to meet the Governour will not be such a Proof of your Friendship, as your giving notice of these things, and practising Friendship with us.

I have no doubt but the more you are acquainted with the *English*, the more you will love them.

It shall be so much my care to seek your Interest and Advantage, as I doubt not will oblige you to sincere Friendship.

The Government here have ſettled a Miniſter at St. *George's*, and there will be another at *Richmond*. They will be always ready to inſtruct you in the Principles of the Chriſtian Religion, and teach your Children to read and write, which ſhall be without any Coſt to you.

If you are willing to ſend your Children to *Boſton*, they ſhall be brought up to Learning at the College, that ſo they may officiate as Fathers among you, and teach you the true Religion, and their Education ſhall coſt you nothing.

Tho' you have learnt Religion of the *French*, which you may apprehend to be a good one, yet you ſhould not be averſe to look into another. Before you knew the *French* Religion, you thought the *Pagan* Religion to be a good one; but when you were taught the *French* Religion, you thought that better. And ſo when you are inſtructed in the *Engliſh* Religion, you may think that ſtill better than the *French*.

If you have a mind to underſtand the true *Engliſh* Religion, it ſhall coſt you nothing; and when you underſtand it, you will certainly know that you are cheated, when your Sins are pretended to be pardoned for Skins. This is all a Cheat and Deceit: None can pardon Sins but *Jeſus Chriſt*; and he does it freely, without Money and without Price. All that the Prieſts make you pay, they put in their own Pockets.

I would have you ſeriouſly to conſider this, and not to be ſo much prejudiced, as not to deſire to know further.

If you don't remember what I have now ſaid to you, it ſhall be written down, that you may carry it with you.

Loron. We will conſider of what your Excellency has ſaid.

Govern. I have nothing further to ſay now, but we will drink King *George's* Health. *Wahway.*

Wahway. We desire the Favour of a House to shelter us, at the Trading House on *Saco* River.

Govern. I'll take Care of it.

Wahway. As your Excellency said, that any thing that was prejudicial to us should be mentioned; I would acquaint you, that the *English* young Men hunt the *Bever* among us, whereby there is a danger of a Misunderstanding.

Govern. Fishing, Fowling, and Hunting, are free to King *George*'s Subjects in his Lands; and you have free Liberty to use that Privilege any where in the King's Lands. You are King *George*'s Subjects, and so are we: You have acknowledged your Allegiance to him, a great while ago. We are Brothers, and should hunt and live together.

I have been to *Cushnock*, to pitch upon a Place for building a good Town for the *English* and *Indians* to live together, that they may have a Church there, and a Father to teach them the true Religion and the Way to Heaven.

Thursday, July 27. 1732.

Toxus. THE *Penobscut* Tribe only is to speak, and what they say, the others join with them in it.

Loron. Friend, we have been thinking of what your Excellency said to us yesterday, and we will now make Answer to it: As to the Lands, which you said are yours, what we shall say will not be new, but what has been formerly said. Your Excellency will go on in the way that former Governours have gone in; which are the Articles of Peace made between us, which are to be observed.

As to Prayers, it was mentioned in the Treaty, that there should be no Dispute about Religion. It would be a light Proceeding in us, to answer what you have said on that Affair: We are too few to enter into this Dispute, which is a weighty Matter: There are other Tribes to be discoursed with; and when we know their Mind, we shall be better able

to anſwer: We had the Advice of the other Tribes about the Peace; and therefore we think it proper, to have their Advice in this Affair.

As to what was ſaid of our Children, we are not qualified to anſwer as to the Propoſal for their Education, we being but few here, and the other Tribes being concerned in it.

Govern. I am glad you find the Road ſo plain to walk in. This Government will ſtrictly obſerve the Articles of Peace, by which we are bound to each other. I meet you further to ſtrengthen the Articles of Peace, and ſhould be glad from time to time to hear from you what will farther promote it.

As to the Settlement of the Lands and the making of Towns in King *George*'s Lands, it ſhall aways be according to the Treaties. I did not mention the Matter of Religion to make any Jar between us, but offer'd it as an Inſtance of my brotherly Love; and becauſe I am perfectly ſatisfied, it is the beſt way to your Intereſt in this World, and in the World to come. God has given you Reaſon to examine into Matters of Religion. It will do you no hurt to examine into the *Engliſh* Religion, for then you can chooſe that which you ſhall judge is the beſt. The Government is willing to inſtruct you on free Coſt. I have nothing to do with the foreign Nations; you have ſaid, you are free Men, and you are my Brethren. When you received the Popiſh Prieſt, it was at your own Election.

Loron. We did not intend the *French*, but the other Tribes of *Indians*, when we talk'd of adviſing.

Govern. This is a great and ſerious Affair, and I deſire you would conſider of it; for we ſhall willingly ſend Miniſters to inſtruct you in Religion, and Schoolmaſters to teach you to read and write: And if at any time, you will ſend your Children among us to be educated, they ſhall be treated with that Kindneſs, as if they were our own Children.

Nothing

Nothing can be more for your Intereſt than to have the Trade under good Regulation, and eſpecially that the private Traders ſhould be diſcountenanced; for I have Complaints from the Prieſts and others, that they abuſe you by ſelling you Rum, and making you drunk.

Loron. Your Excellency is in the right; there is much Miſchief, by their ſelling us ſo much Rum.

Govern. There is no way to prevent this, but by your not trading with the private Traders, but at the Truck-houſes only.

Loron. It is much to our Advantage to have all other Goods but Rum brought near us; but it is hurtful to us to bring Rum among us.

St. George's is a great way from us, the Traders bring Goods near us; but it would be well if we could have their Goods at a cheaper Rate.

Govern. The Price of Goods at the Truck-houſes is ſtated by the Government; and the Truck-Maſters can't impoſe upon you: but the Government can't reſtrain the private Traders as to their Price. This is what I offer in Friendſhip to you; for the private Traders do you ſo much Miſchief with their Rum, that it is as bad as if they ſhould ſhoot you.

Loron. We only mention it to your Excellency; we don't ſuppoſe that the private Traders can be forced to ſell at a Price, but we ſhould be glad it might be; and that they might be reſtrained from ſelling Rum.

There is not a prudent Care as to the giving out of Liquor at St. *George*'s; they give the *Indians* too much Rum, which makes them drunk; and we deſire therefore that Care may be taken to prevent it.

Govern. I will give effectual Orders that you ſhan't be abuſed by the iſſuing of Rum at the Truck-houſes.

By the Articles of Peace King George has Power to ſettle Towns on his Lands; and I propoſe to ſettle a Town at *Cuſhnock*, and then the Trade will be nearer to you.

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When I propoſe any thing, and you don't object, I ſuppoſe you conſent. If there ſhou'd be a Town, you ſhall have Lands there, and live with the *Engliſh*. In the Southern Parts of this Province, the *Indians* have Towns, and live and dreſs as the *Engliſh* do.

Loron. It is not our Way to give a ſudden Anſwer to what is propoſed.

Govern. This Propoſal I made to you yeſterday. You told me yeſterday, that there was not much Buſineſs, the Peace being already concluded; this Interview was only to ſee one another. I have been a great while from *Boſton*, and the King's Buſineſs requires my ſpeedy Return thither. I ſhall be glad, if you have any thing to offer, you would mention it this Afternoon: For I purpoſe you ſhall dine with me to-morrow, in order to diſmiſs you the Day after.

In all things we ſhould be frank and open, and no body ſhould be here that are afraid to be known. This I ſay, becauſe I hear there are two *French* Men preſent; and I ſhou'd not care if their Maſter was here too. I will always do Juſtice to you; but I will ſupport King George's Honour, who is Lord and Sovereign here; and the *French* ſhall know it.

How many *French* Men are here?

Loron. This Morning we happened to ſee ſome Strangers; but they came in a Veſſel on their own Affairs.

It is true, that we are to ſpeak freely to one another; for by the Articles of Peace we are to uſe this Freedom; and we ſhall be very open with your Excellency as to what concerns us.

Govern. My Heart is much engaged to prevent the Miſchief of the private Trade; the Government receives no Damage by it; but there is Danger that it will make a Miſunderſtanding between us: For by this Means you have had ſuch Injuſtice done you, as the Government can't ſet to rights; but theſe

Abuſes

Abuſes will not be offer'd you at the publick Truck-houſe.

Loron. We are to ſpeak every thing that is true, and hide nothing. As to the Trade, it was agreed, that we ſhould have the Goods as cheap as at *Boſton*; and the Governour told us, that Goods would be govern'd by the foreign Markets, ſometimes cheaper and ſometimes dearer; but the Goods have always riſen in their Price.

Govern. You have the Goods as the Market governs, and at as cheap a Rate as you can buy any where elſe, and cheaper than our own People can have them at the Truck-houſes.

Wiwurna. As you are pleaſed to mention a Trading-houſe at *Cuſhnock*, it is too weighty for me to lift; but we will conſider of it, and return an Anſwer to it. There are many Perſons intereſted in it; if it were all my own Land, I would ſay you ſhould be welcome to it, Brother; but if I ſhould ſay ſo, without the Conſent of the other Owners, I ſhould make myſelf a Jeſt among them.

Govern. You all agreed, that the *Penobſcut* Tribe ſhould ſpeak for all. And I was pleaſed to find that my Deſign of Building a Town at *Cuſhnock* was ſo agreeable to your Thoughts, for they ſaid the nearer the Trade was the better; and from the Building of this Town, you would reap that immediate Advantage.

Wiwurna. Our Armourer at *Richmond* is dead, and we are at a loſs for mending our Arms.

Govern. I will take care to ſend you an Armourer when I get home. It is now Dinner-time, and I will ſend you ſome Refreſhment, and meet you again at three a-Clock.

Wahway. I ſpeak for the *Amereſcoggin Indians*. We ſhould be glad to have a Trading-houſe near us: As your Excellency ſaid we ſhould ſpeak of

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any Grievance as to the Trade; *Adiawando* and his People are diſſatisfied that a *Negro* has the Ordering of the Trade at *Saco-River*. We did not know that King *GEORGE* was ſerved by *Negroes*.

Govern. That *Negro* is a Servant to the Truck-Maſter, and he muſt have ſomebody to manage the Trade in his Abſence; that *Negro* is a very honeſt Man. GOD made us of different Colours, the *Negroes* black, the *Indians* not ſo black, and the *Engliſh* white; and I don't deſpiſe the *Indians* becauſe they are not ſo white as the *Engliſh*, for they are as GOD made them.

As to the Propoſal of a Trading-Houſe for the *Amereſcoggin* Indians, I will conſider of it, and give you an Anſwer in the Afternoon.

Loron. The Smith at *St. George's* does not take proper Care to mend our Arms, but does it negligently.

Govern. I will take Care to have this Matter alſo rectified.

Poſt Meridiem.

Govern. I have conſidered what has been moved as to a Truck-Houſe for the *Amereſcoggin* Indians. And I find the *Amereſcoggins* and *Pigwackets* are all one Tribe, that the *Pigwackets* are ſeated near the Truck-Houſe on *Saco* River, and the *Amereſcoggins* are near *Richmond* Truck-Houſe; that it is a great Charge to the Government to keep a Truck-Houſe; as they are near *Saco* on one ſide, and *Richmond* on the other, I don't doubt but they may be well accommodated.

Loron. Brother, You have not given us any anſwer as to the Rum that is given out at *George's* Truck-Houſe.

Govern. I will give ſpecial Direction that for the future it ſhall be given out in a prudent manner, ſo as not to be hurtful to you.

Loron. I have ſomething to offer further. Your Excellency was pleaſed to ſay we ſhould ſpeak plainly: As to the diſtant Tribes, we think there is ſomething yet wanting. As there is Friendſhip, we wonder that Powder ſhould be wanting for us to fire a little with. It was mention'd at the Treaty, that Powder ſhould be given to each Tribe. If the Preſent ſhould be given, thoſe that are at a diſtance would think that there is Love between us; and we are of Opinion that when other Tribes ſee it, they would think there is hearty Love between us.

Govern. What do you mean by what you ſay of Powder?

Loron. We mean a Preſent of Powder and Shot, which was mention'd in the Treaty. As to the Sloop that comes a Trading to *Penobſcut*, we don't deſire they ſhould be forbid, becauſe it is profitable to us, but only we are willing they ſhould be forbid bringing of Rum.

Govern. I am glad it lies much upon your Mind to have the Trade of Rum prevented. There is no ſuch effectual Way to prevent your being drown'd with Rum, as your not having to do with private Traders. If it will be a Convenience for a Sloop to come Spring and Fall to *Penobſcut* River, I will endeavour that the Government ſhall ſend a Sloop at thoſe Seaſons, to bring them every thing but Rum; and I hope you will not be diſcontented, if I order my People not to trade with you in that Article.

As to what you mention about Powder, I will conſider of it, and I doubt not but you will be gratified in that Particular; and it ſhall reſt upon my Mind, and I will not forget to endeavour that it be done.

Loron. We have another ſmall Matter to ſay: When we come to *St. George's* we have not Liberty

to lie in any of the Houſes, but are expoſed to lie abroad in the Rain and bad Weather; we therefore deſire a Houſe to lodge in.

Govern. I will take Care that you have a Houſe to lodge in.

Wiwurna. I will tell your Excellency of ſomething that happen'd this Summer: Your Excellency's Young Men and ours met at *Brunſwick*, and there was a Difference, and the *Engliſh* Man wounded the *Indian* very much, tho' he never offer'd to ſtrike him again; and if each Party don't take Care to avoid Quarrels, it will endanger a Miſunderſtanding between the *Engliſh* and *Indians*.

Govern. 'Tis the firſt Time I have heard of it. I will give Order to my Captains to ſee that you be treated with Juſtice and Kindneſs. I am afraid the Rum was the occaſion of this Difference, which ſhews the Neceſſity of your being reſtrain'd from that Liquor. I am now told that this Difference aroſe from ſome of the *Indians* firſt inſulting Lieut. *Jaques*.

Wiwurna. We deſire that Capt. *Bane* may be continued Interpreter at *Richmond*, becauſe it is a great Help to us as to our Language.

Govern. When I was in *Kennebeck* River, I had Complaints from the Inhabitants that they could keep no Sheep for the *Indian* Dogs: By the Treaty you are obliged to muzzle them. It may ſeem a light Matter to you, to keep your Dogs looſe, but it is a great Diſcouragement to the *Engliſh*. As I ſhall ſtrictly obſerve every Article of the Peace, ſo I except you ſhould, and therefore you muſt take Care to keep your Dogs from doing this Miſchief to the *Engliſh* Inhabitants.

I have a Complaint againſt one of the young Men of the *Norridgewock* Tribe from one *Samuel Harden*, that they kill'd five of his Horſes at *Hunnawell's* Point,

Point, to the Value of *Forty Pounds*, for which he has had no Satisfaction. Taking away Men's Eſtates, is like taking away their Lives; and their denying it will not excuſe them. All the Articles of the Peace are made in the Preſence of GOD, who obſerves theſe things; and I expect Satisfaction for this Injury. I obſerve your Young Men ſmile at this; but it is a ſerious Matter; if you are in want, you muſt tell us of it. Theſe things will endanger a War. You wou'd think it very hard, if our young Men ſhould ſteal your Skins. I believe one of thoſe young Men is here now; and I would have him come and tell me why he killed thoſe Horſes.

Packahumbanoit. I know nothing more of the Matter, than that the Man that kill'd the Horſes is gone to *Canada*. I would not deny it if I were guilty.

Govern. It adds to the Guilt to deny the Fact. And I ſuppoſe your Father does not teach you to do ſuch things, and then deny it. You ſhould follow ſuch Inſtructions as are good from your Father.

Packah. I had ſome of the Meat, but I did not kill the Horſes.

Govern. I have reaſon to think you did it; and if you go on in ſuch Practices, it will bring on great Inconvenience. If you can take God and Chriſt to witneſs, that you did not ſhoot at thoſe Horſes, I ſhall believe you.

Packah. I call God to Witneſs, that I did not kill thoſe Horſes; it was a *Canada Indian*: I ſaw him ſhoot at them, and I ate of the Meat.

Govern. When my People complain to me of ſuch Injuries, it is my Duty as their Father to ſee that they be righted. Theſe things will be of evil Conſequence; and I hope both old Men

and young will take care to prevent them for the future.

Quenois. As to the *Norridgewock* young Men, they never did any harm to the *Engliſh* in their River; but we have heard of the Matter, and the thing was done by *Canada Indians.*

Govern. I have a Complaint from Mr. *Vaughan* of your killing his Cattle at *Mantinicus*, ſix Years ago, for which he has had no Satisfaction from you, tho' he has often demanded it: The Value was 30 *l.* He complains alſo of your killing an Ox two Years ago, in the ſame Place.

Lewis. As to what was killed ſix Years ago, it could not coſt that Money; but we have often urged the *Indians* to pay the Damage, but we could not perſuade them.

Govern. I have Capt. *Job's* and *Ahanquid's* Note for 32 lb. of Bever, to ſatisfy for this laſt Damage.

It is a great Diſhonour to the whole Tribe, and to Counſellors and Captains, not to have a Regard to their Words. King GEORGE brings his Captains and Counſellors into Diſgrace, if they don't regard their Promiſes; and they are put in Priſon till they are made honeſt.

Lewis. We were deſir'd by Capt. *Lane* to go and kill theſe Creatures, and he gave us Powder and Shot for that purpoſe.

Govern. But you killed two inſtead of one.

Pierpeau. It is true, there were two; but it was by Miſtake that two were killed.

Govern. You had the Fleſh of one, and have not paid for it. When do you intend to pay the 32 lb. of Bever, for which you have given your Note?

Pierpeau. We will think of it, and pay the Debt in the Fall of the Year.

Govern.

Govern. If you will promiſe before your Chiefs, that you will pay this in the Fall of the Year, and then do it, it will be to Satisfaction.

Indians. We promiſe it.

Govern. How do you propoſe to give Mr. *Vaughan* Satisfaction for the Cattle that were killed ſix Years ago?

Indians. We have promiſed to make Satisfaction, and ſhall endeavour to make it.

Govern. I don't mention this to make any Jarring between us, but to prevent it. What I ſay, is to eſtabliſh and lengthen out our good Peace. We muſt be very careful to be honeſt and juſt to one another. I could upon theſe Occaſions do Juſtice to King *George*'s Men, by puniſhing thoſe that make ſuch Breaches on the Peace; but I chooſe this Method to ſhew my Reſpect to you, and to prevent theſe Miſcarriages for the future; and I hope they will take care that Mr. *Vaughan* has Juſtice done him. This Matter is over for the preſent.

Loron. Two of our Dogs were killed at St. *George*'s (which we value at 10 *l.* a-piece) for nothing but barking at a Cow; but we ſhould not have ſpoke of this Matter, if your Excellency had not mentioned the Cattle the *Indians* killed.

Govern. I am glad that you mention it; and if you can tell who killed the Dogs, you ſhall have Satisfaction, for I am ſenſible they are very neceſſary to you.

Loron. We made ſo light of the Matter, that we did not think it proper to mention it to Captain *Gyles*, and ſhould not now ſpeak of it, but for what has been ſaid of our killing the Cattle; which cannot amount to near 30 *l.*

Govern. I ſhan't ſee you to-morrow, being obliged to dine out of Town; but I deſign you ſhall dine with me on *Saturday*, at twelve a Clock at furtheſt,

theft, the next Day being the Lord's Day, and therefore I muſt part with you before the Evening comes on.

Loron. We deſire Mr. *Wainwright* may come to trade with us as uſual.

We pray that the Country's Sloop may be allow'd to carry thoſe back that have no Canoes.

Govern. The Sloop ſhall carry you all back if you pleaſe.

Wahway. We pray that we may have an Houſe at *Saco* to ſhelter us.

Govern. I intend you ſhall have it.

Wahway. And that we may have a ſmall Bridge there.

Govern. I ſhall view that Truck-Houſe, and then I ſhall think of the Matter.

Loron. Here is a *French* Man that deſires the Favour of a Paſs, that he may go where his Buſineſs is.

Govern. I ſhall conſider of it. He belongs to Mount *Deſert*, which is in the Government of *Nova Scotia.*

Frenchman. I belong to *Nova Scotia*, but I deſire a Paſſport to come into this Government.

Govern. If you will take the Oaths of Fidelity to King *George*, you will doubtleſs have a Paſſport from this Government, to go into any Part of the King's Dominions.

Saturday, July 29. 1732.

Toxus. FRiend, I have one thing to ſay to your Excellency, which I am not ſo well pleaſed with, *i. e.* that the Price of the Fall *Bever* is ſo low, it won't come to *Ten Shillings* till *Chriſtmas*. *Bever* is grown ſo ſcarce, that what one Man can get till Winter, will hardly procure a Pair of Stockings. There were formerly ſeveral things taken from the Jeſuits at *Norridgewock*; which if they were brought

brought again to *Richmond*, we ſhould be glad to pay for them, eſpecially a Writing we ſaw at *North-Yarmouth*.

Govern. In whoſe Hands was it?

Toxus. One *Drinkwater's*. Captain *Woodſide* of *Maquoit* has taken good care of us when we were cold and wanted any thing; and we deſire that what has been ſaid about him, may go no further.

Govern. It is with Pleaſure that I hear what you have to ſay to me; and I hope what paſſes between us will make the Peace ſtronger.

It is beſt in time to remove every Difficulty, or elſe by neglect it may grow greater. There is a great Difference as you know well between Spring and Fall *Bever*: The Market in *England* will always govern the Price here; and as great Quantities of *Bever* are carried there from other Places beſides this, that will have an Influence upon the Price here, whether you get much or little: I ſhall be glad when the Market will allow of a greater Price, which I ſhall let you know of; and you may depend on it, in all Caſes to have ſtrict Juſtice done you: We take care that the Trade be govern'd as much to your Advantage as may be. You are ſupplied cheaper from us than from the *French*, which is plain, becauſe they buy of us to ſell to you.

It is a great while ſince the Affair happen'd at *Norridgewock*, and I ſhould be glad you had mentioned that Matter before, and then it would have been eaſier to have recovered thoſe things than now: Major *Moulton* is here, who can tell you that the Plunder taken at *Norridgewock*, was divided among the Soldiers: Captain *Parker* has got the Writing you mention, and will be ready to deliver it upon your paying the Price of it; I ſhould be glad you could have any other things return'd; but our People made but little Account of them, and I believe the moſt of them are loſt.

I am well pleaſed that Captain *Woodſide* of *Maquoit* is kind to you, and I ſhall be glad every body elſe would be ſo too. When Captain *Woodſide* does what is good, it is Praiſe-worthy in him; but if he breaks the Laws of the Province, he muſt be puniſhed for it.

Joby. We mentioned the ſame Difficulties as to Trade, when we were at *Boſton*, eſpecially about Mr. *Noyes's* Conduct; and you ſaid the thing was too far off to be ſeen, but you would enquire into it.

Govern. I have heard no further Complaint of theſe things: Mr. *Noyes* deals fairly and juſtly by you; It is no Intereſt of his to take your *Bever* at a low Price; but you may be ſure you will have Juſtice done you.

Joby. When we were at *Boſton*, you ſaid to Capt. *Gyles* and Capt. *Heath*, we were ſo far off, you could not tell whether or no things were done as they were repreſented.

Sometimes Mr. *Noyes* will puſh us out of doors, and he don't treat us kindly.

Govern. If you keep your ſelves ſober, and act like Men, neither Mr. *Noyes*, nor any body elſe, will, or ſhall puſh you out of doors. I muſt repeat what I ſaid yeſterday, that Rum makes you do what you ſhould not do. You may remember in the Courſe of your Lives, that when you are ſober, you are aſhamed of what you do in Drink: And from theſe Occaſions, you ſhould reſolve againſt drinking Rum.

Toxus. I have ſomething to ſay concerning Liquor: Our young Men are very craving after Drink, when they have done hunting; and I deſire that they may have no more than a Quart at a time allowed them.

Govern. I will take care that they ſhall have no more. You ſhould follow the Example of that old Man,

Man, who has not drank any Rum theſe twenty Years, having ſeen the Evil of it.

Toxus. There are many People that ſettle on *Sheepſcot* River, which is my Land: I deſire that they may be good Men; and if they ſhould be croſs and moroſe, I ſhall complain of them, that ſo they may be removed.

Loron. I ſpeak in behalf of the *Pigwackets* and *Ameresſcoggins:* As your Excellency was pleaſed to tell them, that the *Engliſh* and they ſhould hunt together, and both be benefited by the Hunting and Fiſhing; we deſire that the *Engliſh* may not have the ſole Advantage, for by their ſetting their Nets, it prevents the Fiſh running up the River, for the Uſe of the *Indians.* We deſire that both *Engliſh* and *Indians* may have the Benefit of the Fiſh. We ſhould be glad that Goods may be lodged at *Brunſwick* Fort for the *Indian* Trade. At times when Captain *Smith* has not been at *Saco*, we pay his Negro, and then Captain *Smith* demands it again, ſo that we have often paid twice for the ſame things.

Govern. I ſhould be glad you'd give an Inſtance of this.

Waramanfoot. Captain *Smith* truſted me, and I paid the Negro in his Abſence; and after that, Captain *Smith* made me pay the ſame again. I borrowed *Eight Shillings* of Captain *Smith*, and paid the Negro, and afterwards Captain *Smith* took *Eight Shillings* more, ſo that I paid *Sixteen Shillings.* And at another time, I left Skins in the Negro's hands, which I was to take out in Rum, and yet the Negro made me pay for the Rum.

Captain *Smith* denied the Charge, and referr'd to his Account, and ſaid, that upon this *Indian*'s being diſſatisfied, he had ſeveral times paid him twice for the ſame things, to make him eaſy.

Govern. This Thing is of two Years ſtanding, and you have had an Opportunity to complain of it before, when *Adiawando* was at *Boſton*; and it is very hard now to come at the Truth.

Waramanfoot. When *Adiawando* went to *Boſton*, there was nothing conſulted; had any other Perſon gone, it would have been mention'd then.

Govern. When Capt. *Smith* goes to his Truck-houſe, if he can't ſatisfy and convince you, that he has paid you, he ſhall pay you then.

The *Indian* expreſs'd himſelf ſatisfy'd.

Govern. The Truck-Maſters are choſen by the whole Government, who take care to chuſe ſober, honeſt Men. The Price of every thing is ſtated to the Truck-Maſters, and the Government pay them yearly for their Service, ſo that they can have no Intereſt in cheating you. And I am afraid, that the Envy and Intereſt of private Traders and others, is often the Foundation of your Complaints againſt the Truck-Maſters; but if you can make out any Complaints againſt them, I will take care that you have Juſtice done you.

Lewis. I have nothing to ſay againſt the Truck-Maſter at *St. George*'s; but only that a Quantity of ſour Meal, and damnified Tobacco, was ſold out to us: It was in Mr. *Wainwright*'s Time, but he was then abſent.

Govern. Why would the *Indians* have a Truck-houſe at *Brunſwick* rather than *Richmond*?

Loron. This is what I was deſir'd to ſay.

Govern. I can't give an Anſwer till I know the Reaſon of this Requeſt.

Loron. The *Amereſcoggins* muſt anſwer for themſelves, for I can't tell the Reaſon.

Govern. As to what was ſaid about ſtopping the Fiſh in *Amereſcoggin* and *Saco* Rivers; I told you the laſt Time that fiſhing was free to King GEORGE's Subjects:

Subjects: If the *Engliſh* uſe Nets, ſo may you, and be furniſhed with them at the Truck-houſes; ſome of you have already beſpoke ſuch Nets, and Capt. *Smith* has them ready for you.

Loron. As to the Captain at *St. George*'s, we have found nothing amiſs in him, but like him very well, more eſpecially for his Knowledge of our Language.

Govern. If the Sachem of the *Amereſcoggin Indians* will (now he is come) give me a Reaſon for having the Truck-houſe removed from *Richmond* to *Brunſwick*, I will hear him.

Adiawando. The Reaſon is, that in the Winter we can't travel ſo far as *Richmond* without great Inconvenience.

Govern. Is it better to have the Truck-houſe nearer, than farther off?

Loron. I have nothing to ſay as to other Places: we are ſatisfied with the Truck-houſe in *St. George*'s; it is near enough for the *Penobſcut Indians*.

Govern. The Truck-houſe at *Richmond*, is nearer to the *Amereſcoggin Indians*, than that of *St. George*'s to the *Penobſcuts*.

Lewis. I have had no Anſwer as to the Meal.

Govern. I anſwer'd it; it was in another Truck-Maſter's Time: It is hard now to find out who delivered the Meal and Tobacco: I ſhould be glad when any thing is bad, that you would not take it, for you are not obliged to take it.

The *Engliſh* are now at Peace with all Nations, with the *Dutch*, *French*, and *Spaniards*, and there is no likelihood of War. When any thing looks like a War, I ſhall give you Notice of it, and expect the ſame from you as good Friends and Brothers.

And if any ſuch thing as a War ſhould happen among the Nations in *Europe*, that need not affect us; but we may ſtill be good Friends and Neighbours;

and I hope in ſuch a Caſe, you won't be decoy'd to your hurt.

When you have any Grievance, I invite you to come to *Boſton* ſeaſonably, that ſo you may be redreſs'd, before the thing is grown too old to make it clear, and to find out thoſe that have done you any wrong.

Capt. *Loron* has deſired of me ſome *Engliſh* Carpenters, to build him a Houſe; and I have ordered Capt. *Giles* to ſend him Men for that Work, who will take care that he ſhan't be impoſed upon in the Price: And if any other Perſons deſire Houſes to be built, they ſhall alſo be aſſiſted in it.

The Sun grows low: To-morrow will be the Lord's-Day; if you have any thing further to ſay, I ſhall willingly hear you: If not, I ſhall deliver you the Bounty of the Government, as a Token of our ſincere Deſire to maintain the Peace: And when that is done, we will drink King GEORGE's Health; and then I ſhall wiſh you a good Journey to your ſeveral Homes.

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